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## **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the restriction requirement dated February 5, 2009, Applicant elects without traverse species I. Claims 1-5 and 10 are readable on the elected species. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional application(s) as appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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